

ORGANIZATION—GENERAL LAND OFFICE—CLERKS, &c.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 469.]

APRIL 6, 1836.

Laid before the House by the Chairman of the Committee on the Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE, *April 4, 1836.*

SIR: Since I had the honor of conversing with you, on the subject of the proposed organization of this office, and submitting, for the consideration of the committee, an exposition of the present embarrassed condition of the office, arising from a defective organization, an immense amount of arrears, and a force totally insufficient to cope with the existing embarrassments, I have prepared, with much care and attention, a tariff of salaries under the proposed organization, which takes into view the magnitude of labor, and the comparative degrees of responsibility, which will devolve on each individual attached to the several branches. A copy of that paper I take leave most respectfully to submit to the Committee on the Public Lands.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

ETHAN A. BROWN,
Commissioner.

HON. RATLIFF BOON,
Chairman Com. on Public Lands, H. R.

TABLE OF SALARIES.

Bureaus.	Subordinate officers named in the bill.	First class of clerks.	Second class.	Third class.	Fourth class.	Fifth class.	Sixth class.	Messengers.	Packers and sealers.	Assist' messengers.
1 Public lands, chief clerk -	-	-	1,500	1,400	1,250	-	-	-	-	-
2 Private land claims, chief clerk -	-	-	1,500	-	1,250	2 of 1,150	-	-	-	-
3 Surveys, first clerk -	2,000	-	-	2 of 1,400	1,250	-	35 of 1,100	-	-	-
4 Recorder -	-	-	-	1,400	2 of 1,250	-	-	-	-	-
5 Accounting -	-	-	-	2 of 1,400	-	1,150	-	-	-	-
6 Virginia military lands and scrip	-	1,600	-	1,400	1,250	1,150	-	-	-	-
7 Miscellaneous, and of patents	-	-	1,500	-	2 of 1,250	1,150	-	-	-	-
8 Bookkeeping -	-	-	1,500	8 of 1,400	11 of 1,250	-	-	-	-	-
9 Pre-emption -	-	-	-	1,400	1,250	-	-	-	-	-
10 Solicitor -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 of 700	2 of 450	2 of 350
11 Messengers, assistants, packers and sealers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

RECAPITULATION.

1st class,	1 clerk at	-	-	\$1,600
2d "	4 " at	\$1,500	-	6,000
3d "	16 " at	1,400	-	22,400
4th "	20 " at	1,250	-	25,000
5th "	5 " at	1,150	-	5,750
6th "	35 " at	1,100	-	38,500
Aggreg'te	81	-	-	\$99,250

Two messengers at \$700	-	\$1,400
Two packers and sealers at \$450	-	900
Two assistant messengers at \$350	-	700